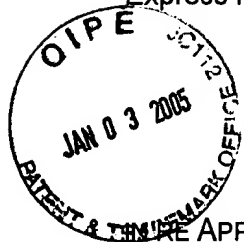


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RE APPLICATION OF:

Sokawa & Liu

APPLICATION No.: 09/910,406

FILED: July 19, 2001

FOR: **COMPOSITIONS FOR TREATMENT AND
METHOD OF MONITORING HEPATITIS C
VIRUS USING INTERFERON-TAU**

EXAMINER: M. Mosher

ART UNIT: 1648

CONF. No: 9683

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

**Mail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

☐ Previously submitted:

- ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
- ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- ☐ Other

☒ Enclosed:

- ☒ Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111
- ☒ Petition for 1-Month Extension of Time
- ☒ Copy of Notice of Abandonment from USSN: 10/698,927

2. Miscellaneous

- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months.

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3. Fees

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$455.00 is enclosed to cover the following fees.
 - ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)
 - ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §1.136 and §1.17)
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment in fees (or credit any overpayments) to Deposit Account No. 50-2207.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 1/3/05

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